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Dear Sir or Madam:

This letter is to inform you that the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated 11/20/02 has been vacated and returned to the appropriate status. The amendment dated 10/28/02 will be entered into application and sent to the examiner for consideration.

Sorry for any inconvenience this may have caused. If there are any questions concerning this matter please call me at (703) 306-2940.



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